



NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Loxscreen Site
1630 Old Dunbar Road, Lexington, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through February 20, 2013.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 12-4823-NRP, will affect approximately 18.12 acres identified by tax map number 006799-05-008. A company known as M-D Real Estate Holdings-West Columbia, LLC (M-D Real Estate) wants to buy the property from its current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and M-D Real Estate.

The property is used for aluminum door and window manufacture. General location uses around the property include industrial development to the north, undeveloped woodlands to the east and south, and undeveloped woodlands and industrial development to the west.

M-D Real Estate intends to continue the manufacture of building products. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow M-D Real Estate to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. M-D Real Estate did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold M-D Real Estate responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, M-D Real Estate will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

Under the proposed contract, M-D Real Estate will test soil and groundwater from the property. If significant contamination is found, M-D Real Estate will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to keep Brownfield sites in productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm> . Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

Citizens may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through February 20, 2013. Questions or comments may be directed to Alex Fulmer, email FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.